



Newsletter No.2

Friday 19th September 2025

It has been lovely to see and speak to lots of you during the last three weeks and particularly nice to get to know the new families to our school. I am pleased to report that the children have been very settled and have adapted quickly to their school routines.

I am hoping that you found last week's curriculum meetings with your child's teacher helpful. It is always good to get an insight into what your child is doing in their school day as I am sure when asked by you at the end of the day, the response is usually 'nothing'!!

All slides shown at these meetings will be posted on either Tapestry or Google Classroom for you to refer to if required.

The weekly homework routine has also started for all year groups and, as family life outside of school is very busy, this is now set on a Friday for completion by the following Friday. Hopefully, having the weekend to complete homework, will make your evenings after school less stressful. Reading books have also been sent out, with children expected to read for at least ten minutes per night for younger children and twenty minutes for our older pupils.

As the weather gets colder, please ensure that your child has a coat at school (with their name on - please use labels or permanrny marker rather than ball point pen).

As we have experienced recently, heavy downpours seem to occur at home time.

Have a good weekend with your family.

Clare Campbell

Headteacher



Pupil Photographs

The photographer will be returning to duty on
Thursday 9th October
to take individual photos and those with siblings
(who attend our school).

Please ensure your child is in full uniform.

If it is your child's PE day,
please send their kit in a bag and they will get
changed in school on this occasion.



Welcome to SJA - EYFS - Coffee mornings

Friday 26th September 8.30-9.30am

Parents of Nursery and Reception pupils are
warmly invited to an informal 'come and meet'
other parents in the Large Hall.

Pre-schoolers are obviously very welcome too!

For other year groups (including EYFS)

A further coffee morning will take place in the Spring Term.

Recycled uniform stall

A big thank you to parents who have
volunteered to run this initiative this year.
This is a big voluntary role that requires more
helpers. If you can spare a small amount of
time to support with this well-used facility,
please email the parents' Association putting
'help with uniform stall' in the subject.

**The next stall is on
TUESDAY 21st OCTOBER at 8.30am**

There is a lot of uniform in stock as well as coats
across all ages so if your child is not wearing the
correct uniform there is now no excuse!



Labeling Uniform



Our lost property cupboard is already full with items that have not been named from the beginning of this term. I have reminded the children during assembly about taking responsibility for their belongings and the importance of labelling items. I know as a parent there is nothing more infuriating at pick up time to be minus a jumper, or even worse a coat, but name labels were a fantastic invention and help to reduce the rising blood pressure levels of all adults involved (including mine)!

October - the month of the Rosary

During October, we remember the prayer of the rosary, the faith of St Dominic who was presented with the rosary and to the virgin Mary who is mother to all.



Uniform & PE Kit

Thank you so much to all of you for making such a concerted effort to ensure the children have returned to school in uniform. Having a uniform provides the children with a sense of belonging and believe it or not makes the morning routine before school easier for families.

Just a reminder that the PE t-shirt is a white polo shirt with a collar and buttons, however if you have still got the old SJA t-shirt with a logo that is fine too.

PE t-shirts have not replaced the blue school shirt and should therefore only be worn on PE days.

With regards to jewellery, the only permitted items are wrist watches (no camera smart watches) and plain ear-studs. Earrings are not permitted for health and safety reasons





School building fund

Please see the attached letter for further information regarding the school building fund.

Extended Schools Vacancies

Due to changes in family circumstances, we have had several cancellations for places in our after-school club and various clubs for this term.

We have now offered out all places to children on the waiting list and so if you are still looking for childcare or want your child to participate in a club, please email extended schools on:

extendedday@st-joanofarc.islington.sch.uk

Extended School Childcare & Clubs



St Joan of Arc School
Growing together



Change of date for International Evening

As the Bishop is hosting a special welcome Mass for Fr Alex on our original planned date so we have rescheduled our International Evening to now take place on the evening of

Friday 17th October.

Please see the sign up link below

<https://signup.com/go/XvGQojJ>

More information about this event will be circulated in the coming weeks.



Term Dates

Attached are the school dates for the year. Please keep them in a safe place for your reference.

They are also available via the school's website: www.st-joanofarc.islington.sch.uk

We are currently accepting applications for
full or part time nursery places

To apply or arrange a visit

Email: admissions@st-joanofarc.islington.sch.uk

Call: 020 7226-3920



Nursery Hours 8.15am – 3.00pm Childcare Available - 3:00-5:45pm

www.st-joanofarc.islington.sch.uk

Nursery Vacancies

If you have a child or know of somebody looking for a place in our school nursery, we have a number of spaces available this term. Spaces are available for children who were three years old in the summer term, April to August 2025.

We are also taking applications for our January entry. These are for children who are going to be three years old this term, that is they have a birthday falling in the months of September to December 2025.

Please contact the school's admission's officer via email:

admissions@st-joanofarc.islington.sch.uk

More information is available on the school website

www.st-joanofarc.islington.sch.uk

House Captains / Sports Captains

Many of our children in year 6 have put themselves forward to be either Sports Captains or House Captains. The selection of the Sports Captains has

now been

completed and the House Captains will be informed next week. The Parents of the children chosen for these prestigious roles are warmly invited to a presentation assembly on Monday 29th September at 8.45am.



THANK YOU!

Thank You PA

We have been extremely fortunate to be able to purchase new class sets of Chrome Books and charging cabinets. This means that children can now use these across a range of subjects throughout the day. Thank you so much to every parent for their generosity at last year's events. Your donations have been wisely spent and are very much benefiting all the children.



SEPTEMBER

Week Beginning Monday 22nd

Friday 26th – 8.30-9.30am New Parent's Coffee Morning

Week Beginning 29th

Monday 29th - House & Sports Captain assembly 8.45am

Friday 3rd October – 9am Perform Theatre Group Years 1 – 3
3pm PA Cake Sale in Playground

OCTOBER

Week Beginning Monday 6th

Thursday 9th – School Photographer – individual and sibling group photographs

Week beginning Monday 13th

Friday 17th – 6pm International Evening

Week Beginning Monday 20th

Wednesday 22nd – Flu Vaccinations Reception – Year 6

Week Beginning 27th October – Half Term

NOVEMBER

Week Beginning 3rd November

Monday 3rd – INSET DAY

Tuesday 4th – 8.15 – 8.30pm Children return to school

Thursday 6th - Year 3 Trip to The Hive

Week Beginning Monday 10th

Friday 14th - Flu Vaccination – catch up session

Friday 14th - Reception Parent's Bingo Night 6.30pm

Week Beginning Monday 17th

Wednesday 19th – 3.30 – 6.30pm Parent Consultation

Thursday 20th – 3.30 – 6.30pm Parent Consultation

DECEMBER

Week Beginning Monday 1st

Friday 5th – 3.30pm Christmas Fair in Playground

Week Beginning Monday 8th

Wednesday 10th - 8.45am [Infant Nativity Show \(Nurs to Year 2\)](#)

Thursday 11th – 8.45am Infant Nativity Show (Nurs to Year 2)

Week Beginning Monday 15th

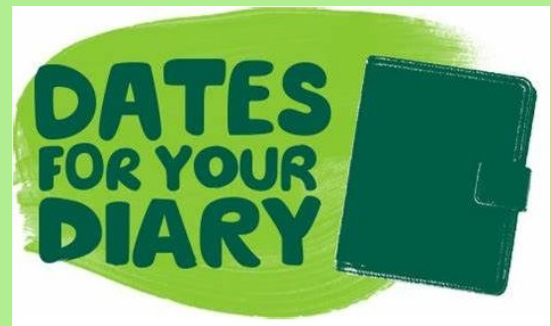
Monday 15th – Whole School to see Christmas Pantomime

Tuesday 16th – Children's Christmas Jumpers, Disco and Christmas lunch

Thursday 18th – 2pm Key Stage 2 Carol Service in St Joan of Arc Church

Friday 19th – 9am School Mass led by Class 6N

School Closes for Christmas Holidays at 1.30pm



PA INTERNATIONAL
EVENING

Friday 17th
October

6.00 – 9.00pm



St Joan of Arc Primary School Calendar – 2025-2026

August 2025							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
31					1	2	3
32	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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35	25	26	27	28	29	30	31

September 2025							
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2025 October							
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November 2025							
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48	24	25	26	27	28	29	30

December 2025							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
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January 2026							
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February 2026							
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March 2026							
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April 2026							
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18	27	28	29	30			

May 2026							
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June 2026							
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July 2026							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
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 School Closed/ Holidays
 Bank Holiday

 School Day
 Inset Day